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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following information is brought to  
the Examiner's attention.

U.S. Patent No. 3,946,731.

U.S. Patent No. 4,578,056.

U.S. Patent No. 4,596,547.

U.S. Patent No. 4,968,483.

U.S. Patent No. 5,030,200.

U.S. Patent No. 5,037,390.

U.S. Patent No. 5,052,382.

U.S. Patent No. 5,466,229.

U.S. Patent No. 5,540,898.

U.S. Patent No. 5,591,457.

U.S. Patent No. 5,628,727.

U.S. Patent No. 5,834,030.

U.S. Patent No. 5,935,092.

U.S. Patent No. 5,980,954.

U.S. Patent No. 6,113,566.

U.S. Patent No. 6,146,354.

U.S. Patent No. 6,190,609.

German Auslegeschrift No. DE 1 068 428.

German No. 24 56 932.

German Offenlegungsschrift No. 35 11 159.

German Patentschrift No. 43 23 295.

The foregoing documents were cited during prosecution of parent Application No. 09/662,706, which serves as the basis for a claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. § 1.20 in this application. Thus, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the cited documents are not required.

A copy of an International Search Report issued in connection with a corresponding international application is also enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

To assist the Examiner in entering the foregoing information into the record, the above-noted documents are cited on the attached form PTO-1449.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialling, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

Respectfully submitted,

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